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FV-203

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Please Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Solicitation Mailing List Application, SF-129, Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) *five days prior to bid opening* (October 16, 2002) or your company may be considered non-responsible.

Date Issued: October 9, 2002

Frozen Vegetables, Announcement FV-203, Invitation 025

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Frozen Vegetable as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, October 16, 2002.** Acceptances will be announced by midnight, October 21, 2002. Deliveries are to be made from November 16, 2002, to December 15, 2002.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Frozen Carrots	30 lb.	9,240 cases
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Due to time constraints, no 8a offers will be made.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors are encouraged to submit bids electronically. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe>? Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance. If offeror is concerned about electronic bid receipt, offeror may also FAX bid.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk.

Inquiries about Announcement FV-203, as amended, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables dated June 1999, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable



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Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-203, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV203
 INVITATION : 025
 COMM GROUP : 39 VEGETABLES, FROZEN
 COMM TYPE : 60 CARROTS, FROZEN
 PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB CARTON

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 11/16/02 - 11/30/02

002	COLUMBUS	OH		1,320	
003	COLUMBUS	OH		1,320	
004	COLUMBUS	OH		1,320	
005	DAYTON	OH		1,320	
006	DAYTON	OH		1,320	
007	DAYTON	OH		990	
	SPRINGFIELD	OH	TRUCK ONLY	330	

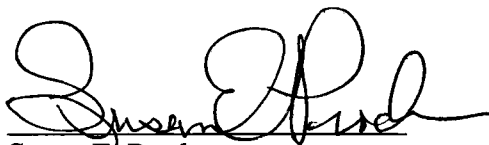
DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/02 - 12/15/02

001	DAYTON	OH		990	
	SPRINGFIELD	OH	TRUCK ONLY	330	

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 9,240

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION

9,240



Susan E. Proden
Contracting Officer

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